



human rights measures, since their goal is to safeguard the rights to life and to personal security. Effectively implementing the safe(haven aspects of relevant Security Council resolutions, including resolutions 1373 and 1816, may thus be seen as a form of human rights measure. Of course, the Security Council, General Assembly, and the Human Rights Council have stressed on many occasions that terrorism poses a serious threat to the enjoyment of human rights, and so steps must be taken to counter it.

Second, there is the question of the rights of victims of terrorism. While still unsettled, there is authority for the proposition that victims of grave international crimes have a right to justice. One reference in this respect is the Basic Principles and Guidelines on the Right to a Remedy and Reparation for Victims of Gross Violations of International Human Rights Law and Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law, adopted by the General Assembly in 2005. One should recall that the Special Rapporteur of the Human Rights Council has concluded that acts of terrorism, even if committed by non-State actors, can qualify as human rights violations and, of course, certain acts of terrorism are also prohibited under IHL. There is no doubt that the right to a fair trial, 32.16 of the ICCPR, is also applicable to victims of terrorism. (m)79-0.

measures must themselves be carried out in compliance with human rights obligations. As we know, regrettably, this requirement is often disregarded. The goal of denying safe haven will only be advanced if States take further steps to ensure respect for human rights in the way in which they seek to strengthen international cooperation.

\*ne crucial issue in this respect is the criminali=ation of terrorist offenses. The

should criminalize acts of expression that are intended to, and that do in fact,

of our desk analysis and our assessment visits carried out on behalf of the Committee. They are addressed in detail in the CT , > Technical 3 uide to implementation of the relevant Security Council resolutions, which is now being updated. nd we work on these issues in the CTIT? framework, including through our participation in the CTIT? working groups. 4 e look forward to continuing to support the Committee in making further progress on these issues in the time ahead.

Thank you.